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OISHI et al.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 30, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 1, 2002, please consider the following remarks during the prosecution of the above-identified application.

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 1, 2002 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto. Accordingly, claims 1-5 are pending in this application and are submitted for consideration.

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Tani et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,971,566, "Tani"). In making this rejection, the Office Action took the position that Tani discloses all the elements of the claimed invention.

Claim 1 recites a plasma display apparatus including a plasma display panel. A circuit board mounts a drive circuit for driving the plasma display panel, and a chassis structure is provided on the backside of the plasma display panel for supporting the plasma display panel and for mounting the circuit board. The chassis structure includes a first chassis member mounting the circuit board, and a second chassis member fixed

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